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NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.138, applicant hereby expressly abandons the application without prejudice or disclaimer.

Respectfully submitted,

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